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In the Application of Herbert Gust

Ser.No.:

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For:

COMPONENT COMPRISED OF AT LEAST ONE SUPPORT MEMBER AND AT LEAST ONE PART CONNECTED THERETO AS WELL AS METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING A CONNECTION BETWEEN A SUPPORT MEMBER AND A PART OF SHOUL COMPONENT.

MEMBER AND A PART OF SUCH COMPONENT

Examiner:

John J. Figueroa

Art Unit:

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

PETITION AND FEE FOR THREE-MONTH TIME EXTENSION

Sir:

With reference to the above-identified application, and pursuant to 37 CFR .136(a), applicant hereby respectfully requests that this application be granted a three-month time extension to May 21, 2001.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17, enclosed is a check for \$890.00 to cover the requisite fee. It is requested that any fees required or any shortages in any fees due, now or at any time during the examination of this application, be charged to Deposit Account 02-1653.

Respectfully submitted,

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